

**Title:** H. Dalton Stroop Collection

**Dates:** ca.1790-1990

**Creator:** H. Dalton Stroop

**Summary/ Abstract:** H. Dalton Stroop Collection is a by-product of Homer Dalton Stroop's life and family research collection. H. Dalton Stroop was a prominent Murfreesboro businessman and community leader, and his family has important connections in various parts of Rutherford County and its history.

**Quantity/ Physical Description:** 4.5 Linear Feet

**Language(s):** English

**Repository:** The Rutherford County Archives, 435 Rice Street, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130. (615) 867-4609

**Restrictions on Access:** None

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**Acquisition:** M'lissa Stroop, 2013

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**Arrangements:** These records are arranged into six boxes based on common themes. From there, materials are arranged into folders and series based on topics within these themes.

**Biographical Note:**

William B. McClaran was born on 18 February 1926 in the 13<sup>th</sup> District of Murfreesboro, Tennessee to Jas. Lee McClaren and Nannie Patterson. William was a twin, having a brother Samuel Ralph who would also later serve in the Second World War. He grew up on 1023 Spring Street in Murfreesboro and his father worked in a fabric factory in Murfreesboro.

William was processed into the United States Army on 24 May 1944 at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He attended basic training at Camp Blanding, Florida and upon completion was sent overseas to join the 95<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, 378<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Company H. It is not clear when William actually joined the 95<sup>th</sup> in Europe but he was in action in the last months of the war, ending up at Schwachauser Ring in Bremen, Germany ca. May 1945.

William B. McClaran returned home from Europe with the 378<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment in the summer of 1945. During his out-processing from the Army he was at Camp Atterbury, Indiana and was finally discharged on 24 May 1946 as a Private First Class. He returned to Murfreesboro after his discharge and resided in Rutherford County, Tennessee until his death in 1990.

**Scope and Content:** Materials collected by H. Dalton Stroop, pertaining to his involvement in Rutherford County business, as well as family documents, genealogy and information. The collection primarily documents and photos, but a few objects and other materials also exist.

**Box 1-Family Genealogy**

**Box 2-Schools**

**Box 3-Halls Hill and Wright Family Information**

**Box 4-Middle Tennessee Electric, Hidden Acres, Exchange Club Information**

**Box 5- Churches**

**Box 6-Oversize Documents**

**Associated Materials:** None

**Related Collections:** None

**Persons:** H. Dalton Stroop, J. Ridley Stroop, Overall Family, Kerr Family, Rushing Family, Wright Family

**Places:** Rutherford County, Tennessee

**Subjects (General):** People, Buildings, Regions, Men, Women, Boys, Girls, Genealogy, Military, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War, World War II, Correspondence, Schools, Churches

**Materials Types:** Documents, printed material, photographs

**Collections Inventory:**

Box	Folder	Series	Description of Contents
1	1	Beachboard, Elizabeth Lavonia Stroop	Photographs of Elizabeth Lavonia Stroop Beachboard
1	2	Bowling, Ethel and Bob Bowling	Photographs of Ethel and Bob Bowling with short family information

1	3	Caffy, Angie Kerr	Photographs of Angie Kerr Caffy and a funeral handout.
1	4	Etter, John	Genealogical information, Revolutionary War honors information, will, and grave information for John Etter.
1	5	Floyd Family	Floyd Family Genealogical information.
1	6	Overall, Alice	Alice Overall genealogical information.
1	7	Overall, Anna	Anna Overall genealogical information.
1	8	Overall, Cannon	Obituary for Cannon Overall.
1	9	Overall Family Reunion	Information about Overall family reunion.
1	10	Overall Court Case	Overall Court Case information.
1	11	Overall, Nathaniel	Nathaniel Overall's 1791 military information.
1	12	Overall, Rachel	Rachel Overall's funeral notice.
1	13	Overall, Robert and the Overall Cabin	Robert Overall genealogical information and Overall cabin information.
1	14	Kelton, John Thomas	John Thomas Kelton genealogical information, including Civil War information.
1	15	Kerr, Al D.	Al D. Kerr genealogical information, including obituary.
1	16	Kerr, Hugh	Land deed information for Hugh Kerr's land.
1	17	Logan, Billie	Obituary and death information for Billie Logan.
1	18	Logan, William L.	Obituary and death information for William L. Logan.
1	19	McKnight, Albert Dolison	Albert Dolison McKnight genealogical information.
1	20	Peay Family	Peay family genealogical information.
1	21	Reeves, John W. Jr.	John W. Reeves, Jr. genealogical information, including World War II information.
1	22	Rushing, Clyde	Clyde Rushing genealogical information, including newspaper information.
1	23	Rushing, Elvis	Elvis Rushing genealogical information.
1	24	Rushing, Mary Lurlene Dill	Mary Lurlene Dill Rushing genealogical information.

1	25	Stroop, Charlotte Wright	Charlotte Wright Stroop genealogical information.
1	26	Stroop, Christine	Christine Stroop genealogical information.
1	27	Stroop, E.N.	E.N. Stroop genealogical information, including death and burial information.
1	28	Stroop, Ernest	Ernest Stroop genealogical information, including Marine information.
1	29	Stroop, Erskine J.	Erskine J. Stroop genealogical information, including World War II information.
1	30	Stroop Family General Information	General Stroop family genealogical information, including family Bible information and a family tree.
1	31	Stroop, Fannie	Fannie Stroop genealogical information.
1	32	Stroop, Homer	Homer Stroop genealogical information, including information and correspondence between Stroop and Bill Pynchon, a soldier in the TN maneuvers.
1	33	Stroop, Homer Dalton	Homer Dalton Stroop genealogical information, including correspondence from Stroop in Murfreesboro in 1953, and community service newspaper clippings.
1	34	Stroop, Jeffery	Jeffery Stroop genealogical information.
1	35	Stroop, John Erskine	John Erskine Stroop genealogical information.
1	36	Stroop, John Franklin	John Franklin Stroop genealogical information, including Civil War information, family tree, and personal diary kept during Stroop's trip from Rutherford County, TN to TX in 1856.
1	37	Stroop, John Moore	Copy of a letter dated 1858 from John Moore Stroop in Rutherford County, TN to his son Lemuel Jefferson Stroop in TX.

1	38	Stroop, John R.	John R. Stroop genealogical information, including land dispute information.
1	39	Stroop, J. Ridley	J. Ridley Stroop genealogical information, Vanderbilt Stroopfest information, information on the Stroop Effect, and Lipscomb University information.
1	40	Stroop, Lemuel Jefferson	Lemuel Jefferson Stroop genealogical information, including his 1856 diary of his trip on horseback from Rutherford County, TN to TX.
1	41	Stroop, M'Lissa	M'Lissa Stroop genealogical information.
1	42	Stroop, Robert T.	Robert T. Stroop genealogical information.
1	43	Stroop, Stephen	Stephen Stroop genealogical information.
1	44	Wyatt, Robert	Robert Wyatt genealogical information.
2	1	Central High School	Event flyers and information, newspaper clippings, band information, photos, information about last year of Central High School.
2	2	Critchlow School	Newspaper clippings.
2	3	Middle Tennessee College Campus School	Photos, 1966 list of pupils.

2	4	Halls Hill School	Photos, copies of yearbook pages, newspaper clippings.
2	5	Hobgood School	Newspaper clippings.
2	6	Kittrell School	Newspaper articles, list of graduates, history of school, history of basketball program, play bills, copies of yearbook pages.
2	7	Lascassas School	Newspaper article about bus driver.
2	8	Middle Tennessee Christian School	Newspaper articles, school newsletters, recital programs, photos.
2	9	Middle Tennessee State University	Graduation programs, Battle of the Bands information, newspaper articles.
2	10	Oakland High School	Play bills, newspaper clippings, graduation tassel, graduation programs, event programs, copies of "Liberty Bell" (school newspaper).
2	11	Riverdale High School	Graduation program, band concert program.
2	12	Stroop School	Newspaper articles, photo with student names.
2	13	School General History	Newspaper articles and photos.
2	14	Sorority/Fraternity	Delta Beta Sigma information; newspaper articles, photos, event information for other sororities and fraternities.

3	1	Brashear, Isaac Wright	Isaac Wright Brashear genealogical information.
3	2	Halls Hill Bridge	General information and photos on Halls Hill Bridge.
3	3	Halls Hill General History	General history and information, newspaper articles, auction sale flyer, map.
3	4	Halls Hill General Store	Halls Hill General Store ledger
3	5	Bertinatti, Eugenie Bate Bass	Eugenie Bate Bass Bertinatti genealogical information.
3	6	McClellan, Virginia Ophelia Wright	Virginia Ophelia Wright McClellan genealogical information.
3	7	Wright, Agnes Bates	Agnes Bates Wright genealogical information, including copies of family letters.
3	8	Wright, Ed Franklin	Ed Franklin Wright genealogical information.
3	9	Wright, Edward V.	Edward V. Wright genealogical information.
3	10	Wright, Enoch	Enoch Wright genealogical information.
3	11	Wright, Isaac Newton	Isaac Newton Wright genealogical information and land grant.

3	12	Wright, Jacob	Jacob Wright genealogical information, including War of 1812 veteran information.
3	13	Wright, Lula Floyd	Lula Floyd Wright genealogical information.
3	14	Wright, Rebecca Thompson	Rebecca Thompson Wright genealogical information.
3	15	Wright, Thompson	Thompson Wright genealogical information, including War of 1812 veteran information.
3	16	Wright, T.J.	T.J. Wright genealogical information, including deed information, funeral notice, and original deed from T.J. Wright, Sr. to Lottie Wright Stroop from 1893.
3	17	Wright, William B.	William B. Wright genealogical information, including death notice.
4	1	Middle Tennessee Electric Corporation	Middle Tennessee Electric Corporation general information and history, including photos.
4	2	Hidden Acres	Information and history on Hidden Acres, one of the first apartment complexes in Murfreesboro.
4	3	Exchange Club	Member information, photos, committee information, event programs and information.
5	1	Antioch Church of Christ	Antioch Church of Christ general information and history, including photos.

5	2	East Main Church of Christ	East Main Church of Christ general information and history.
5	3	First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro	First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro general information and history, including church programs.
5	4	Kingwood Heights Church of Christ	Kingwood Heights Church of Christ general information and history, photos, church directories.
5	5	Methodist General History	General History of Methodist churches
5	6	North Boulevard Church of Christ	North Boulevard Church of Christ general history and information, member list, church directories.
5	7	Overall's Church	Overall's Church general information and history, photos, church register.
5	8	Rutherford County Churches of Christ	Copy of "History of Rutherford County Churches of Christ" and a church directory.
5	9	Trimble Church	Trimble Church general information.
6	1	Sorority/Fraternity	Oversize Delta Beta Sigma information.
6	2	Dalton Stroop and Robert Stroop	Oversize Dalton Stroop and Robert Stroop birthday state proclamation document.